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To: All Users of Public Release Arizona Hospital Discharge Data and Other Interested Parties

From: Donna Cox, Discharge Data Manager, Bureau of Public Health Statistics

Subject: Public Release of Arizona Hospital Emergency Department Discharge Data

Beginning with the discharge data from the first half of 2004, we are making the Public Release of the Arizona Hospital Emergency Department Discharge Data available (the 2004-01 ED file).

PUBLIC RELEASE EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT DISCHARGE DATA RECORD LAYOUT

BECAUSE of existing database requirements, the Arizona Emergency Department (ED) discharge data record layout is IDENTICAL to the Inpatient (IP) discharge data record layout.

HOWEVER, because not all of the discharge data items are required in the ED discharge data submissions, AND some data items are protected health information, you will notice many BLANK OR EMPTY FIELDS in the discharge data record layout. Please refer to one of the ED PUBLIC DATA LISTS available on our website for details before ordering.